

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

VITAL DISTRIBUTIONS, LLC,

No. 2:22-cv-00319-MCE-CKD

Plaintiff,

v.

**RELATED CASE ORDER**

PEPPERIDGE FARM,  
INCORPORATED,

Defendant.

PEPPERIDGE FARM,  
INCORPORATED,

No. 2:24-cv-01432-DJC-AC

Plaintiff,

v.

CARL HOLMES and VITAL  
DISTRIBUTIONS, LLC,

Defendants.

An examination of the above-entitled civil actions reveals that these actions are related within the meaning of Local Rule 123(a) (E.D. Cal. 1997).

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1 The actions involve the same defendant(s) and are based on the same or similar claims,  
2 the same property transaction or event, similar questions of fact and the same questions  
3 of law and would therefore entail a substantial duplication of labor if heard by different  
4 judges. Accordingly, the assignment of the matters to the same judge is likely to effect a  
5 substantial savings of judicial effort and is also likely to be convenient for the parties.


6 The parties should be aware that relating the cases under Local Rule 123 merely  
7 has the result that both actions are assigned to the same judge; no consolidation of the  
8 action is effected. Under the regular practice of this court, related cases are generally  
9 assigned to the district judge and magistrate judge to whom the first filed action was  
10 assigned.

11 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the action denominated 2:24-cv-01432-DJC-  
12 AC, Pepperidge Farm, Incorporated v. Carl Holmes, et al., is reassigned to Senior  
13 District Judge Morrison C. England, Jr. and to Chief Magistrate Judge Carolyn Delaney  
14 for all further proceedings, and any dates currently set in this reassigned case only are  
15 hereby VACATED. The caption on documents filed in the reassigned case shall be  
16 shown as 2:24-cv-01432-MCE-CKD.

17 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court make appropriate  
18 adjustment in the assignment of civil cases to compensate for these reassignments.

19 IT IS SO ORDERED.

20 Dated: May 22, 2024

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23 MORRISON C. ENGLAND, JR.  
24 SENIOR UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE  
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